

District 54 - Division D

Division Director's Report

November 2024

For the Division D report this month, we're focusing on the numbers – because the numbers don't lie. We're focusing on one number in particular -- the one number that gives a very good indication of the health of our clubs is the number of current members in each club. This one number tells us if the club is growing, dying, or simply maintaining.

Area 40 – Has two clubs that are thriving and two clubs that are surviving.

- **New Lenox** added one member this year and now stands at 25 members.
- **Lincoln-Way** has their membership remaining steady at 22 (they lost 4 members this past period, but have added 4 this year).
- **Key City** lost one member this dues renewal period – they were at 8 members and are now down to 7.
- **Joliet Jesters** recently added two members and their membership currently stands at 8.

Area 41 continues to thrive!

- **Confident Communicators** has added 4 members since July 1st, and is now the largest club in the division with 28 members! The club is planning a Holiday gathering on December 12th at La Dolce Vita in Plainfield. They are also starting to plan their 20-year anniversary party for May 2025.
- **Yes And** has added new members this club year and is currently at 24 members.
- **Morris Area** has recently added a new member to their club (from 8 members to 9)!
- **Bridge Builders** also added a new member, and they had 100% renewals at the end of September, so they are now at 17 members!
- **Bolingbrook Area Chamber of Commerce** is still somewhat of a mystery. We did receive an email from Saba Rashid at the Bolingbrook Chamber stating that he wasn't sure what happened, but provided us a list of 7 members who are still in Toastmasters. I'll work with Gary, Estelle, and Valerie to dig into this further and provide any support that we can.

Area 42 has shown good signs of growth!

- **McKinley** has grown their membership from 13 at the beginning of the year to 18 now!
- **Toast of Champaign** had an Open House on 11/7, their Holiday Social on 12/12, and will have a Club Social on 2/1. They've had a net gain of one member for a total of 12 members currently.
- **Fireside** remains steady with 11 members.